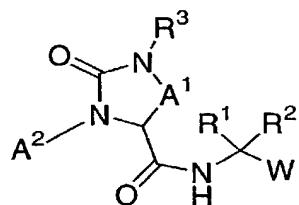


TITLE

5           Imidazolidinones and Their Related Derivatives as  
             Hepatitis C Virus NS3 Protease Inhibitors

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to a novel  
class of imidazolidinones of Formula (I):



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10           that are useful as serine protease inhibitors, and more  
             particularly as Hepatitis C virus NS3 protease inhibitors.  
15           This invention also relates to pharmaceutical compositions  
             comprising these compounds and methods of using the same.